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Serial No. 10/813,819

Filed: March 31, 2004

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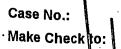
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It is believed that no fees are due, however, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-0014. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 13-0014.

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